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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
Atty. Docket No.: 29997/062

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

**Mail Stop RCE**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the following application:

**Application**

Application Serial No:	10/655,922
Filed on:	September 5, 2003
Inventors:	José Moctezuma de la Barrera, Markus Jan Boehringer and Adnan Cavus
Title:	System and Method of Performing Ball and Socket Joint Arthroscopy
Art Unit:	3735
Examiner:	David Shay
Attorney Docket No.:	29997/062

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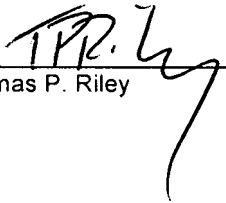
**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on **November 9, 2007**.

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1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

- ☐ a. Previously submitted
- ☐ i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on Insert Date of Amendment/Reply  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ☐ ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ iii. Other
- ☒ b. Enclosed
- ☒ i. Amendment D
- ☐ ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- ☐ iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☐ iv. Other

2. **Miscellaneous**

- ☐ a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
- ☒ b. ***IF AN EXTENSION OF TIME IS REQUIRED IN THIS APPLICATION OR ANY PARENT APPLICATION, PLEASE CONSIDER THIS AS A REQUEST THEREFOR.***
- ☐ c. Other

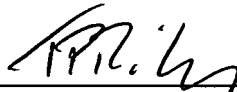
3. **Fees**

- ☒ a. Authorization to charge firm credit card in the amount of: \$810.00  
PTO Form 2038 attached herewith. (\$810.00/405.00)
- ☒ b. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-1309.
- ☒ i. Any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17, except issue fees, to Deposit Account No. 50-1903. (A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed).
- ☐ ii. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
- ☐ iii. Extension of time fee 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17(a)
- ☐ iv. Other
- ☐ c. Check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

Please direct all future communications to McCracken & Frank LLP, at the address below.

Respectfully submitted,

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November 9, 2007